

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

on the 18th day of May, 1971, at which election the ballots shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment to create a State Ethics Commission empowered to set rules of ethics for members of the Legislature, State officers and legislative officers, to investigate violations thereof, and to recommend compensation for members of the Legislature and the Lieutenant Governor and recommend improvements and economy in the legislative process."

Adopted by the Senate on February 4, 1971: Yeas 31, Nays 0; February 5, 1971, Senate concurred in House Amendments: Yeas 25, Nays 1; adopted by the House on February 5, 1971, with Amendments: Yeas 106, Nays 16.

Signed by the Governor February 5, 1971.

Rejected at election held on May 18, 1971.

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT— EQUALITY UNDER THE LAW

S. J. R. No. 16

Proposing an amendment to Article I of the Texas Constitution by adding a new section to be known as Section 3a, providing that equality under the law shall not be denied or abridged because of sex, race, color, creed, or national origin.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Article I of the Texas Constitution be amended by adding a new section to be known as Section 3a, to read as follows:

"Section 3a. Equality under the law shall not be denied or abridged because of sex, race, color, creed, or national origin. This amendment is self-operative."

Sec. 2. The foregoing amendment to the constitution shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this State at an election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1972, at which election the ballot shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment to provide that equality under the law shall not be denied or abridged because of sex, race, color, creed, or national origin."

Adopted by the Senate on February 16, 1971: Yeas 30, Nays 0; adopted by the House on April 27, 1971: Yeas 119, Nays 25.

Signed by the Governor May 5, 1971.